



# Preliminary Assessment Report

## Project 6327457, 143 NW 85TH ST

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**Assessment Completed:** 7/23/2012

**Project Description:** Construct new building with 4 residential dwelling units and approximately 3,000 sf commercial.

**Primary Applicant:** [Tyler Carr](#)

This report lists the results of a preliminary assessment of your project requirements by various city departments. It's based on the project characteristics described on your site plan and preliminary application form. If your project required a pre-application site visit (PASV), the results of that site visit are also included. The goal of this report is to help you create a complete submittal package and reduce the need for corrections once your application has been submitted.

### Next Steps

1. Review the requirements in this report and contact the staff members listed below with questions.
2. If a street improvement plan is required, develop and submit it to the Seattle Department of Transportation (SDOT). **The Department of Planning and Development (DPD) will not accept your permit application until your street improvement plan is approved as 60% complete by SDOT. See [SDOT Client Assistance Memo 2213](#) for guidance about the 60% complete approval process.**
3. Schedule an appointment for permit application intake with DPD. **Please bring a copy of this report to your intake appointment.**

### Questions About This Report

If you have questions about the information in this report, contact the appropriate city staff member for each section.

#### DPD Drainage Requirements

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## Other Resources

- General questions about the permit process: Contact the DPD Applicant Services Center (ASC) at 206-684-8850.
- Overview of the permit application process: [5 Steps for a Successful DPD Application Submittal](#).
- User-friendly guides to city permitting processes: [DPD](#) and [SDOT](#) Client Assistance Memos.
- [Detailed zoning information](#).
- [DPD's Checklists & Standards](#), designed to help you make sure your permit application is complete and ready for review.

## Requirements

### **DPD Drainage Requirements**

The following requirements are based on the current stormwater and side sewer codes.

#### **Existing Public Drainage Infrastructure**

Sanitary sewer main location: NW 85th St

Sanitary sewer main size: 15-inch

Storm drainage main location: West side of intersection btw. NW 85th St and 3rd Ave NW

Storm drainage main size: 18-inch

#### **Drainage**

The drainage point of discharge (SMC 22.805.020) is located at: Weep hole.

#### **Flow Control Compliance**

All new, replaced, and disturbed topsoil shall be amended with organic matter per rules promulgated by the Director prior to completion of the project to improve onsite management of drainage water flow and water quality per SMC 22.805.020.E.

A completed Construction Stormwater Control and Soil Amendment Standard Plan is required and available at the following link: <http://www.seattle.gov/dpd/Codes/StormwaterCode/Forms/default.asp>

For projects with 5,000 square feet or more of new plus replaced impervious surface, a comprehensive drainage control plan and construction stormwater control plan shall be prepared by a licensed engineer.

Parcel-based projects with 7,000 square feet or more of land disturbing activity or 2,000 square feet or more of new plus replaced impervious surface must implement green stormwater infrastructure (bioretention cells, green roofs, permeable pavement, rainwater harvesting, etc.) to infiltrate, disperse, and retain drainage water onsite to the maximum extent feasible without causing flooding, landslide, or erosion impacts per SMC 22.805.020.F. Flow control standards must be first met by utilizing green stormwater infrastructure to the maximum extent feasible. Additional flow control measures shall be installed if the flow control standard cannot be met solely using green stormwater infrastructure. Refer to Director's Rule 17-2009 - Stormwater Manual Vol. III - Stormwater Flow Control and Water Quality. Submit a GSI Calculator along with additional flow control documentation. Refer to the following for more information:

<http://www.seattle.gov/dpd/Codes/StormwaterCode/Overview/default.asp>

This project site discharges to a Non-listed Creek Basin (SMC 805.050.A.3). Based upon the information provided on the Preliminary Application Form pertaining to land disturbing activity, and existing and proposed impervious surfacing this project shall: provide flow control meeting the Pre-developed Pasture Standard per SMC 22.805.080.B.3. The post-development discharge peak flow rates and flow durations must be matched to the pre-developed pasture condition for the range of pre-developed discharge rates from 50% of the 2-year recurrence interval flow up to the 2-year recurrence interval flow. Projects with less than 10,000 sf new plus replaced impervious surface can use Table 4.7 - Pre-Sized Flow Control Worksheet in lieu of continuous modeling.

#### **Water Quality**

No requirements

#### **Wastewater**

All homeowners and building owners in King County's service area whose home or building was newly connected to the King County sewer system on or after Feb. 1, 1990 must pay a King County Capacity Charge. Further information is available online at:

<http://www.kingcounty.gov/environment/wastewater/capacitycharge.aspx>

## **Permanent and Temporary Dewatering**

The footing drain (if part of building plan) point of discharge (DPD DR 4-2011) is located at the following:  
Other. to sidesewer.

## **DPD Land Use Code Requirements**

### **Street Requirements**

Based on the scope of the proposed project, the following street improvements are required per Chapter 23.53 of the Seattle Municipal Code. Please review Right-of-Way Improvements Manual for design criteria (<http://www.seattle.gov/transportation/rowmanual/manual/>). Show required street improvements on your "enhanced site plan" at DPD permit application intake. If an SDOT Street Improvement Plan (SIP) is required, please list SDOT project number and SDOT contact name on the enhanced site plan. Street Improvement Plans must be accepted by SDOT prior to DPD permit application intake.

#### **NW 85TH ST**

Grading to future ROW grade. See <http://www.seattle.gov/transportation/gradesheetintro.htm>

New structures must be designed to accommodate right-of-way improvements. To ensure that driveways and pedestrian access points are designed to match these future street improvements, please use the Building Grade Calculator, which can be found at <http://www.seattle.gov/transportation/gradesheetintro.htm>

Because full street improvements are not being required for this project, or the project qualifies for a reduced street improvement, a no-protest agreement is required. This form can be found at [http://www.seattle.gov/dpd/static/Covenant\\_Consenting\\_LID\\_LatestReleased\\_DPDS\\_006060.pdf](http://www.seattle.gov/dpd/static/Covenant_Consenting_LID_LatestReleased_DPDS_006060.pdf)

Street trees shall be provided in the planting strip according to Seattle Department of Transportation Tree Planting Standards. Contact SDOT Urban Forestry (for residential projects: (206) 684-TREE; for all others: (206) 684-5693), to determine species of tree and standards of planting. Please add a note to the site plan showing size, location and species of tree to be planted.  
<http://www.seattle.gov/transportation/treeplanting.htm>.

Landscaping is required to be installed in the planting strips in the right-of-way. Contact SDOT Urban Forestry to determine species of landscaping and standards of planting. For residential projects, call (206) 684-TREE; for all others, call (206) 684-5693). Please add a note to the site plan showing size, location and species of shrubs and groundcover to be planted.

Any planting proposed within the ROW must be reviewed and approved by DPD and SDOT.

A 3' foot setback is required.

### **Alley Requirements**

#### **ALLEY SOUTH OF SITE**

Design structure to accommodate grade of future alley improvements. See <http://www.seattle.gov/transportation/gradesheetintro.htm>.

A no-protest agreement is required. This form can be found at [http://www.seattle.gov/dpd/Publications/Forms/Building\\_Permit/](http://www.seattle.gov/dpd/Publications/Forms/Building_Permit/)

A 2' foot setback is required.

Other requirements: If access is proposed from the alley, then the alley must be improved with crushed rock and a 2' dedication will be required.

### **Land Use**

Based on the project scope and/or location of environmentally critical areas on the development site, SEPA may be required. See CAM 208 for more details.

Preliminary screening of your project has been completed and it appears that your proposal is located in an environmentally critical area (ECA) which may require an ECA review and SEPA. For additional information about ECAs and SEPA, visit the DPD website (<http://www.seattle.gov/dpd/Codes/>).

Based on the preliminary scope, the project may qualify for a specific exemption under the Environmentally Critical Areas Ordinance. Application and decision on the exemption must be made before submittal of a application. See CAM 327 for more details.

Development within a steep slope or steep slope buffers requires a steep slope area variance. See CAM 330 for more details.

Based on the preliminary site plan, an environmentally critical areas exception will be required. See CAM 328 for more details.

An arborist report is required. See CAM 242 for more detail.

Alley access may be required

## Notes to Applicant

Alley improvement requirements are based on the site plan provided. It does not appear parking or access will be provided and parking is not required for the residential use per Section 23.54.015 Table B Section II Line M. Parking is also not required for up to 1500 sq. ft. for each commercial business establishment Section 23.54.015D2. If parking is required or provided, it is required to be accessed from the alley and the alley will be required to be improved with a crushed rock surface per the SDOT Street Improvement Manual and a two foot dedication will be required to be completed prior to the zoning approval. Site is in steep slope ECA so SEPA Review is also required.

## Pre-Application Site Visit (PASV) Requirements

PASV report requirements may be subject to additions, changes, or modifications by the department. The purpose of the report is to alert the applicant that there may be unusual or complex site conditions that trigger requirements from the department regarding this project. **The applicant is responsible for providing all required documents at the intake appointment.** If you have questions about this report or the PASV process, please contact the DPD Site Development Team at (206) 684-8860.

**Note:** Any project application associated with the development site can utilize the results from this PASV if the application is accepted by DPD within 18 months of the above inspection date. After 18 months, the applicant must apply for another PASV. No extensions will be granted.

## ECA Mapping Unit and Type

This project site appears to include the following ECAs and/or buffers:

Steep slope  
Peat

## Earth Disturbance

If excavation has the potential to encroach on adjacent property in order to facilitate construction activity, please provide documentation of consent from the adjacent property owner. Show area of proposed encroachment on the submitted drawings and detailed cross-sections.

If temporary cuts greater than 1h:1v will be required in order to facilitate construction activity, please provide a geotechnical engineer's verification that soil conditions allow cuts to stand unsupported. Include detailed cross sections.

Please show all existing and proposed retaining walls/rockeries and the exposed height.

If shoring will be required, please provide submittals by geotechnical and structural engineers and show the proposed system on the submitted drawings. Include detailed cross sections.

## Existing ROW Conditions

### ALLEY SOUTH OF SITE

Concrete paving  
V-shaped cross-section  
Downstream inlet prior to crossing sidewalk

## Potential Impacts to Seattle Parks Property

No parks property in vicinity

## Tree Protection

Trees greater than 6 inches in diameter as measured 4.5 ft above ground are present on the site but not shown on the site plan. Show the dripline of 1) **all** trees on the site, 2) adjacent trees that encroach on the site that are greater than 6 inches in diameter as measured 4.5 ft above ground, and 3) **all** trees located in the adjacent ROW. Include common and scientific names for all trees shown. See Director's Rule 16-2008 and CAM 242.

## Construction Stormwater Control

All projects with earth disturbance, regardless of size, require temporary and permanent stormwater control in accordance with the Construction Stormwater Control (CSC) Technical Requirements Manual (DR 16-2009, Volume 2). The CSC Best Management Practices (BMPs) noted below can be found in the Construction Stormwater Control Technical Requirements Manual, available online and from DPD's Public Resource Center.

### **Show the following on the CSC/Post Construction Soil Amendment Plan:**

Place compost socks, compost berms, filter fabric fencing, straw bales, straw wattles, or other approved perimeter control BMPs to eliminate construction stormwater runoff.

Show the location of a stabilized construction access to the site; show methods to eliminate uncontrolled conveyance of mud and dirt into the right of way (ROW).

Cover bare soil with compost blankets, straw, mulch, matting, or other approved equal to control construction stormwater runoff.

Cover stockpiles and bare slopes with compost blankets, tarps, matting or other approved equal to control construction stormwater runoff.

A First Ground Disturbance inspection is required before any ground disturbance related to this permit, including demolition, tree cutting, clearing, grubbing, and grading. After your permit is issued, schedule an inspection by calling (206) 684-8900 or online at: <http://web1.seattle.gov/DPD/InspectionRequest>

### **Inspectors Notes**

Retaining wall at alley, south property line

### **Standard Submittal Requirements for Projects in an ECA**

Submit a geotechnical report with the permit intake submittal package. Geotechnical report must be signed and stamped by a geotechnical engineer licensed in the State of Washington per SMC 22.804, SMC 25.09, and Directors Rule (DR) 33-2006

Provide a topographic survey with 2-foot contours on and within 25-feet of the property, stamped by a licensed land surveyor (see SMC 25.09.330A)

Delineate the steep slope critical area on a site plan based on the survey (per SMC 25.09.020 A3b(5)). Provide area calculations for the steep slope delineation.

Show the steep slope buffer. Generally, the buffer is 15-feet from the top and/or toe of the slope

Site is mapped as a peat settlement-prone areas; see SMC 25.09.110 and CAM 325

## **Seattle City Light Requirements**

### **Street/Alley Requirements**

#### **NW 85TH ST**

10' Clearance from Structures: 10-ft horizontal clearance required between power lines and permanent structures. Review DPD CAM 122, Electric Utility Clearance Requirements, and SCL Construction Guideline D2-3 (<http://www.seattle.gov/Light/engstd/Docs/ConStd/d23.pdf>) Changes to SCL's system to meet clearances are done at the project's expense. There are overhead high voltage lines along the south side of NW 85th St.

Working Clearance: State law requires construction workers, their tools, machinery, equipment, and materials to maintain a 10-foot clearance from power lines. Review WAC 296-24-960 and OSHA 1910.333(c)(3)(i). Transmission lines require greater clearance. To work near power lines, notify SCL well in advance to de-energize and ground the lines, or relocate the lines temporarily. This SCL work is done at the project's expense. There are overhead high voltage lines along the south side of NW 85th St.

An SCL engineer will require scaled building elevation drawings to determine clearances. Please submit an extra set of plans at DPD intake.

#### **ALLEY SOUTH OF SITE**

Other requirements: There are overhead secondary electrical wires running along the alley. Construction at the site must not damage these overhead wires.

### **Notes to Applicant**

For new service, an Application for Electrical Service must be submitted to Seattle City Light. Please contact the Electrical Service Representative for your area several months before new service is required to determine your electric service design, service location and what kind of service is available at the building site. The Electrical Service Representative should also be contacted to coordinate electrical details for demolition and temporary power during construction. Your Electrical Service Representative is: Karen Quaife, 206-684-4983, [karen.quaife@seattle.gov](mailto:karen.quaife@seattle.gov). Be advised that it is the applicant's responsibility to seek guidance from SCL. Failure to contact SCL at your earliest convenience could severely impact your project's scope, schedule and budget. This responsibility rests solely with the applicant.

## **SDOT Requirements**

The City of Seattle's Right-of-Way Improvements Manual (ROWIM) and SDOT's Street & Sidewalk Pavement Opening and Restoration (PORR) Director's Rule 2004-02 may be accessed from SDOT's Street Use website at: [http://www.seattle.gov/transportation/stuse\\_docs.htm](http://www.seattle.gov/transportation/stuse_docs.htm). Whenever possible, specific reference notation for these two design documents is noted next to the design characteristics below. Be advised that these specific section and chapter references are provided as preliminary guidance only and are not comprehensive in scope.

## **SDOT Permitting Information**

Initial Review Deposit: To be determined

SDOT Plan Requirements: Plan

SDOT Permit Requirements: Group 1: Over-the-Counter. Obtain from SDOT anytime prior to construction in the right of way.

## **Street Improvement Requirements**

### **NW 85TH ST**

Tree planting. See Seattle Right of Way Improvements Manual (ROWIM) and City of Seattle Standard Plans 030, 100 and 424. Contact SDOT Urban Forestry for residential projects at (206) 684-TREE; for all others at (206) 684-5693 for approval of species and placement.

## **SPU Requirements**

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### **Water Availability**

Your water availability assessment is in progress.

## **Other Requirements**

Owners of residential property occupied by a tenant who will be displaced by housing demolition, substantial rehabilitation, change of use, or removal of use restrictions may need to obtain a Tenant Relocation License. Refer to DPD CAM 123, Seattle's Tenant Relocation Assistance Ordinance, for further information and instructions or call (206) 684-7979.

If your project involves additions or modification to or demolition of an existing building that contains four or more dwelling units or 4,000 square feet or more of non-residential area, and the building is a designated historic landmark or is 50 years old and meets the criteria set forth in SMC 25.12 for landmark designation, SEPA is required. Please contact the Department of Neighborhoods at (206) 684-0228 or [www.seattle.gov/neighborhoods/preservation](http://www.seattle.gov/neighborhoods/preservation) to determine if your building is a designated landmark or if a referral is necessary to determine if the building meets the criteria in SMC 25.12. Refer to CAM 208 for information regarding the application requirements for a SEPA review and CAM 3000 for information regarding landmarks and historic preservation.

If the scope of your proposed project changes before your DPD intake appointment or SDOT street improvement plan application, the requirements in this report may change. If there are municipal code and ordinance changes before our DPD intake appointment, the project must meet the new code requirements. Additional street improvement requirements may be triggered if a permit application for a development project on adjacent property is also undergoing review.

Please be aware that all persons or companies working within the City limits, including all contractors, subcontractors, permit expeditors and other service providers are required to possess a valid City of Seattle business license. This license is required in addition to any other licenses required by the State of Washington, such as a contractors' license or state business license. For more information about City of Seattle business licenses, please contact inspector Michale Crooks at 206-684-8871, [Michale.Crooks@seattle.gov](mailto:Michale.Crooks@seattle.gov), or visit the [Licensing and Tax Administration Division website](#).